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RECEIPT OF FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT REQUEST

Dear Mr. Pfeiffer:

This letter acknowledges the receipt of your July 31, 2019 Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for copies of "meeting minutes, emails, reports, analyses, and other records relating to the conceptualization, creation, and appearances of the Nevada National Security Site's (NNSS) mascot the "Green Reaper." In particular, please be sure to include (but not limit) in your search areas and terms that will shed light both on the discussions that led to the idea that the NNSS needed a mascot as well as those that led to the Green Reaper being selected. In addition, please include a list of locations and events the Green Reaper has appeared at; any performance evaluations of the Green Reaper as a mascot or public figure for the NNSS; and any booked future or recurring events planned for the Green Reaper to attend."

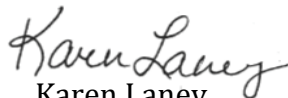
It is the practice of the National Nuclear Security Administration, in accordance with Departmental policy, to process FOIA requests in the approximate order of the date received by this office. We will make every effort to respond to your request as quickly as possible. Although we are committed to responding to your request in a timely manner, we estimate that we will not be able to provide responsive records in 20 working days. Some requests require additional time to complete, depending upon the volume of records, the complexity of the search, and/or the sensitivity of the subject matter. We have determined that for your request, we need more time to complete the search of facilities geographically separated from this office, review the record(s) for release, and prepare the response to you. Reformulating or otherwise narrowing the scope of your request may result in a quicker processing time.

In your FOIA request, you identified yourself in the educational/scientific category for fee purposes. Pursuant to 10 CFR § 1004.2(c) we are requesting additional information in order to determine your fee category. Please provide an explanation to us regarding the intended use of the records you are requesting. If we do not receive a response regarding your intended use of the records by August 7, 2019, we will consider your request withdrawn and will close it with no further action.

You may also contact NNSA's FOIA Public Liaison at 1-866-747-5994, or by mail at Department of Energy, National Nuclear Security Administration, Office of the General Counsel, PO Box 5400, Albuquerque, NM, 87185 for further assistance and to discuss any aspect of your request. Additionally, you may contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration to inquire about the FOIA mediation services they offer. The contact information for OGIS is as follows: Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS, College Park, Maryland 20740-6001, e-mail at ogis@nara.gov; telephone at (202) 741-5770; toll free at 1-877-684-6448; or facsimile at (202) 741-5769.

If you have questions about the processing of this request, please e-mail Karen.Laney@nnsa.doe.gov or write to the address above, and reference Control Number FOIA 19-00294-K in your communication.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Karen Laney".

Karen Laney
Senior FOIA Specialist